

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Previously Presented) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 26, wherein the ball is snap-fit within the socket.
4. (Original) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 3, wherein the ball is non-rotatably mounted within the socket.
5. (Original) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 4, wherein the ball comprises at least one projection, and wherein the socket comprises at least one slot in register with the at least one projection.
6. (Original) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 5, wherein the at least one projection is received within the at least one slot when the ball is received within the socket.
7. (Cancelled)
8. (Previously Presented) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 26, wherein the compression member comprises a spring wrapped around the periphery of the socket.
9. (Cancelled)
10. (Cancelled)
11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 26, wherein the socket has a peripheral groove on an external surface thereof.

13. (Original) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 12, wherein the compression member is disposed within the peripheral groove.

14. (Currently Amended) The vehicular mirror system according to claim 26, wherein the compression force is preselected to apply a sufficient frictional force between the ball and the socket to impede the rotation of the ball with respect to the socket during travel in the normal range of movement, but to slip with respect to the socket when the actuator assembly is urged beyond the normal range of travel.

15-25. (Cancelled)

26. (Currently Amended) A vehicular mirror system comprising:

a reflective element comprising a first slip clutch element comprising one of a ball and a socket and having a mounting portion thereon;

an actuator assembly comprising a second slip clutch element comprising the other of a ball and a socket and operably interconnected to the reflective element for controlling a tilt of the reflective element, wherein the actuator assembly is operable in a normal-range-of-travel mode of operation, the ball and socket comprising a slip clutch; and

a ~~compression-member~~ element mounted around the socket having the ball cradled therein to apply a compression force on the ball for operation of the actuator assembly in a first mode and a second mode, wherein in the first mode the actuator assembly moves in a normal mode of operation and actuates the tilt of the reflective element, and wherein in the second mode the actuator assembly is placed in an impeded mode of operation and the ball and socket allows the actuator assembly to slip and prevent damage thereto.